

*A warm welcome to all as we gather for worship, Christian education and fellowship.
Please greet one another with the Lord's peace.*

SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Preacher: Rev. Peter Heckert

Liturgist: Rev. David French

Elder: Michael O'Donnell

Organist: Linda Kyrouac

Greeters: Sat.-Ed & Rosie Swanson;

Sun. 8:00-Ken & Pam Walschlager;

Sun. 10:30-LaVaughan Evans, Mary O'Donnell

Ushers: Sat.-Dick & Cathy Collison; Sun. 8:00-
Bob Klaiber, Les & Carol Ricks, Russ Shoemaker;
Sun. 10:30-Jeff & Noli Freel, Dave & Nancy
Sattler

Acolytes: Sun. 8:00-William Crum, Ben Bunton,
Liana Douglas, Vivian Berman;
Sun. 10:30-Phillip VanLaere, Kelby Tarter, Isabel
Keiper, Kaitlyn VanLaere

*I pause in my busyness and move outside my own concerns to worship you
and receive whatever you have for me, dear Lord.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Katherine Bickett, Kathy Bishop, Edith Cavanaugh, Chris Gillespie, Justin Hecht, Janet Hession, Jessica Hughes, Mitchell Ply, Millie von Stein, and John Widau.

✿ ALTAR FLOWERS ✿

The flowers today are sponsored by Dave & Nancy Sattler in celebration of Nancy's birthday on February 25, and by Jerry & Kris Ripke in celebration of their 27th wedding anniversary on March 2. If you would like to sponsor flowers to commemorate a special day in your life, please sign up on the flower chart in the church office. *We are currently seeking additional sponsors for March 11, 18, & 25.* The cost of sponsorship is \$30 per bouquet.

♥ NURSERY ♥

Have a little one crying or needing a diaper changed? We want you to know that the nursery/cry room is always open for your use during worship services. There is a television in the room so that you won't miss out on anything happening in the sanctuary. The nursery/cry room is P204 (yellow classroom).

✠ SUNDAY ADULT CLASSES (9:15-10:15 A.M.) ✠

WILL THE REAL JESUS PLEASE STAND UP?: 12 FALSE CHRISTS led by Pastor French in the cafeteria (Room P212). When's the last time you stepped up to the counter and ordered one medium-size Jesus, extra generous, and heavy on the bling? Or maybe you like your Jesus supersized! No? Perhaps you prefer yours extra small, and hold the onion please. Here's the same question: When's

the last time you took a hammer and a chisel to the Jesus of the Bible and formed Him into your own personal Jesus? *Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up?: 12 False Christs* by Matthew Richard not only reminds us who the real Jesus of the Bible is, but it also reveals to us twelve false christs who are embraced, loved, promoted, and revered—even by well-meaning Christians. To participate in this study, you will need a copy of the book in order to read a chapter each week before class. There is an e-book version available through Concordia Publishing House for \$9.99. If you are interested in purchasing a paperback copy for \$11 from the church office, we still have a few copies left.

LUTHERANISM 101 led by Pastor Heckert in the fellowship hall (Room F202). This adult information (new member) class will introduce you to Christian doctrine as revealed by God through Scripture. Pastor will explain the essentials of our faith: what the Church believes and what it means to live “in Christ.” If you would like to brush up on your fundamentals of the faith and meet some potential new members, we would love to have you join us!

A DEEPER LOOK moderated by Grace Gillespie in Room P202 (green classroom). This group discusses the Bible lessons (pericopes) which are read in church each Sunday. You are invited every Sunday, but will not be lost if you miss a Sunday. This is a casual class with lots of interaction. We pray for each other and care for each other. Join us today and every Sunday.

✘ SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:15-10:15 A.M.) ✘

The following grades will start in the sanctuary for the opening of Sunday school, go to their individual rooms (listed below), and then will end up in the cafeteria for pickup:

- Pre-K - Kindergarten: P205 (orange classroom)
- 1st - 2nd Grade: P101 (kindergarten classroom)
- 3rd - 4th Grade: P104 (2nd grade classroom)
- 5th - 6th Grade: P112 (library)

The following grades will not attend the opening in the sanctuary, but will just meet in their rooms:

- Preschool 2s & 3s: P204 (yellow classroom)
- 7th - 8th Grade: F109 (church office work room)
- High school: F104 (church office conference room)

If you have questions, contact Rebecca Rowan at rowanrm@gmail.com or (423) 322-7326.

📖 WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES 📖

LETTER OF JAMES led by Pastor Barton on **Mondays 7-8 p.m.** in the fellowship hall (Room F202). Martin Luther is famous for calling James “an Epistle of straw.” What did he mean? Did he always say that? What is the challenging message of James for us today? This class will meet weekly, and this would be a good time for more to join the group which includes people from St. James and Grace and University Lutheran. We welcome you ... just bring a Bible and come when you can.

LADIES LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDIES:

- *Ruth* led by Barb Kirkpatrick on **Mondays 7:00-9:00 p.m.** in the conference room (Room F104). Yahweh has so much to say through Ruth. It isn’t about you and me. It isn’t about how to be a better woman or about marriage relationships. This story will point us to deeper truths embedded in the historical narrative of Ruth’s life, truths that reveal how God in Christ loves us and cares for us.

Ruth is about Jesus. *Ruth* is about God. *Ruth* is about salvation. This little book in the Bible is bigger than you thought! Come join us and learn more!

- *Proverbs* led by Jan Harris on **Tuesdays 9:30-11:30 a.m.** in the conference room (Room F104). As we desire to gain God's wisdom, we can look to the powerful words in Proverbs 2:1-11 to learn to receive it in our lives. There, we read action words and phrases that guide in the quest for wisdom: "treasure up," "making your ear attentive," "inclining your heart," "call out," "raise your voice," "seek it like silver," and "search for it as for hidden treasure." The Holy Spirit listens to our desires and uses every avenue possible to grant us the wisdom of God. We invite all women of our church to join us in this in depth study of His Word.

COFFEE CLUB led by Pastor French on **Thursdays 7:00-7:45 a.m.** in the conference room (F104).

THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY led by Pastor Heckert on **Thursdays 7:00-8:30 p.m.** in the conference room (Room F104). Join Pastor for riveting discussion of biblical text, real-life implications, and the occasional humorous anecdote! We'll see you there!

MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST led by Pastor Barton on **Fridays 6:00-7:00 a.m.** at the Downtowner Restaurant. You can come for coffee or breakfast at 6:00 a.m. or just for the Bible study on the Scripture lessons for the coming Sunday which begins about 6:25 a.m.

"SURPRISE BY JOY" WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY led by Brenda Owens and Rebecca Rowan on the **first Friday of the month 5:30-6:30 p.m.** in the fellowship hall (F202). Next meeting: Friday, March 2. We will be looking into the works of several Christian authors, including C.S. Lewis, as we focus on how our Christianity can help us live joyfully and, as we say in our confession, to "delight in His will and walk in His way." Please join us if you are looking for ways to live by your faith.

⚙️ TV & RADIO MINISTRIES ⚙️

LUTHERAN PUBLIC RADIO: Music of the Church anytime at www.LutheranPublicRadio.org.

WORSHIP ANEW: This 30 minute Lutheran television worship service includes the readings for the day, prayers, and a Lutheran pastor delivering a message that is one-on-one to the viewer. *Worship Anew* is aired each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. on WHMB-TV40. Visit www.WorshipAnew.org for more information about this exciting program!

ISSUES, ETC.: Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL. You can listen to what you want, when you want at www.issuesetc.org.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: When times are darkest, God wants you to know how close He really is. It's in those threatening times that you can especially learn and live in His love (Exodus 20:1-17). In next week's broadcast on March 4, Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer speaks on the topic, "When God's Darkness Surrounds You." *The Lutheran Hour* is heard every week in our listening area at 7:00 a.m. on station 720 AM, at 7:30 a.m. on 97.3 FM, at 9:04 a.m. on 107.7 FM, or at 10:00 a.m. on 97.3 FM.

LUTHERAN RADIO STATION - KFUE: Listen to Worldwide KFUE.org, your radio station for practical Lutheran talk, daily Bible and Confession studies, current issues from a Lutheran worldview,

and daily worship opportunities. All programs are archived at KFUE.org for 24/7 on-demand listening. You can also find our programming wherever you get your podcasts! Have a question or comment? Find us at @KFUEradio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. Call (800) 730-2727 or e-mail letstalk@kfue.org to join the conversation on “Let’s Talk!”

◆ GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS ◆

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR: *Life Thoughts* are designed to help pastors and congregations see the church year through the lens of the sanctity of human life; they are based on the appointed readings from *Lutheran Service Book*. **February 25** – Some among us seek to sidestep suffering by being ashamed of Jesus’s words (Mark 8:32, 38) about life issues. But sharing in His cross has a hopeful purpose because it leads to eternal life (Mark 8:31, 35). Christ prevails with grace for those who are weak (Romans 5:6). So we rejoice even in our sorrows (Romans 5:3-5) and join others in theirs. *Dear Christ, take up our crosses that we may ease the burdens of the weak. Amen.*

CALLING ALL QUILTERS: The Sewing Sisters Quilting Division will meet on **Monday, Feb. 26** from 8:30 a.m. until noon cutting, sewing, and tying quilts. Come check us out in fellowship hall!

COME TO FELLOWSHIP COMMUNION: We will be meeting next on **Wednesday, February 28** at 10:30 a.m. We rejoice in God’s word, eat a nutritious lunch (cost \$3.00), play games, and chat. It is great fun to meet with friends and make new friends. Please contact Carol Ricks at (765) 538-2631 or caroljricks@gmail.com for lunch reservations. All are welcome. Fellowship Communion meets the last Wednesday of each month. Please let Carol know if you would like your name added to the reminder call list. See you there!

RETURN FROM EXILE: A LENTEN JOURNEY: Life is full of journeys — even life itself is a journey. Much takes place between the beginning and the end, and our Lenten journey is no different. As Christians, we embark upon a daily movement from exile — from life under the burden of sin to the joy of the Gospel that is ours in Christ Jesus. As we begin each leg of the journey, do not be surprised to discover that Christ travels with us. He has always been our guide from the beginning, and He will journey with us to the end. We embark on this Lenten journey contemplating the reality of our earthly journey but with eyes fixed on the destination — the empty tomb and the open gates of everlasting life, with the confidence of knowing that we do not walk alone!

- **February 28** - “Mountain to Mountain: Mount Moriah to Mount Zion”
Today we journey from mountain to mountain. Mountains are amazing and awe-inspiring, but to journey through them or to climb them is no easy task. When Abraham saw Mount Moriah he was not inspired, nor was he amazed. His heart was filled with fear and dread for on this mountain he was supposed to provide a sacrifice—the sacrifice of his son. It was a difficult mountain to climb. Later, Mount Moriah becomes Mount Zion where the Jerusalem temple was built. On this mountain the LORD God will provide. God rescues Isaac from the knife of Abraham in order that God might provide another sacrifice, a perfect Lamb without blemish or spot. Even though Jesus was sacrificed on Mount Calvary, His blood was brought to the Holy of Holies in the temple and sprinkled for our forgiveness, life, and salvation. It was a difficult mountain for Jesus to climb; but His journey to that mountain leads us to the mountain of the new Zion—to heaven. © 2017 Concordia Publishing House. Scripture: ESV®.

Dinner sponsor: St. James 7th Grade Class

- **March 7** - “Out of Egypt: Through the Water”
Dinner sponsor: Encouraging Lutheran Friends (E.L.F.)
- **March 14** - “Tree to Tree: The Tree of Life to the Cross”
Dinner sponsor: Music Ministry
- **March 21** - “Death to Resurrection: The Wilderness to the Promised Land”
Dinner sponsor: Board of Elders

During Lent, dinner will be served each Wednesday from 4:45-5:45 p.m. in the cafeteria followed by the worship service at 6:00 p.m.

EASTER ENCOURAGEMENTS: It is the season of Lent, and we have a lot to contemplate. One way to enhance our Easter joy is to think about ways in which we can encourage those attending the Easter services. Last year, approximately 1,000 people entered the doors of St. James on Easter Sunday. The greeters handed Easter Encouragement cards to everyone. We had enough cards, thanks to the help of some remarkable card makers. This year gives us another opportunity to encourage everyone who walks in our doors. Please put your cards in the basket located to the left of the Scrip counter. Each and every card will be very much appreciated.

PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING OUT THE FAMILY OF ONE OF OUR OWN: Ms. Michel’le Sykes works in our Early Childhood program in the red room after school hours. Her family - mother, sister, and two nieces - lost everything recently in a house fire. The Sykes family resides in the Chicago area. Due to distance we will be blessing their family through our Scrip (gift card) program. Please let the ladies at the Scrip counter know that you are giving for the Sykes family. **We will collect until March 1.** Thank you so much for your generosity.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP: We will meet next on **Sunday, March 4** in the cafeteria from 11:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Lunch will be served. We will continue with our series of understanding and defending our faith. This time, the topic is Biblical Archeology. We certainly know that the Word of God is true, without proof from archeology. But when important details from the biblical record are confirmed, it is really exciting. We will see a DVD, which in my opinion, is the most important and most interesting archeology DVD I have ever seen. Until recently, there was little or no evidence of the Exodus from archeology. With some recent discoveries, that has all changed. During this season of Lent, it is especially meaningful to contemplate the Exodus and focus on Christ, our Passover Lamb (1 Corinthians 5:7). Please be there!

PYSANKA WORKSHOP: We will be having a workshop on **Sunday, March 4** from 2 to 5 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Come and learn how to make a pysanka, an intricate, multi-colored Ukrainian Easter egg. Judy Nixon has been making pysanky for over 40 years - it appears to be in the “genes,” so come learn from a real Slovak. Register with Judy Nixon (jnixon@purdue.edu) or Nola Hecht (nhecht@stjameslaf.org). The cost is \$10.00/person or \$12.00/family (this is just the cost of the supplies). Children over age 12 are welcome to come; men too. Each family will get a Pysanka kit with a kistka, bees wax, a raw egg, a candle, and instructions. You will go home with your very own white, yellow, red, and black hand-made Pysanka.

E.L.F. = ENCOURAGING LUTHERAN FRIENDS: The Lutheran Women’s Missionary League of St. James wants to help make things a little easier for St. James families who are in need. We are asking for your help with our mission project. *Therefore as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith* (Galatians 6: 10). Over the years, E.L.F. has anonymously helped several families in need. Recently we have supported folks with their electrical bill, funeral expenses, and other needs and emergencies. E.L.F. is sponsoring the Lenten pizza dinner on **Wednesday, March 7** from 4:45 to 5:45 p.m. A free-will offering will be collected. Anytime you are at the Scrip counter, please make a donation of any amount! The donations will be put into a Scrip gift certificate so that the family can purchase the Scrip they need.

2018 INDIANA DISTRICT CONVENTION COUNTDOWN - 19 Weeks Until Convention: All women are invited to attend the LWML Indiana District Convention, *Walk in the Light of the Lord*.

- **When:** June 29 – July 1, 2018,
- **Where:** Valparaiso University
- **Verse:** Isaiah 2:5b – ... *let us walk in the light of the Lord*.
- **Mission Statement:** To reflect Jesus’s light to the world

Convention , registration, and housing information will appear in the February *Good News*.

Registration for the convention is **encouraged** online. Each society has the opportunity to send two delegates who will be voting on bylaws, officers, and mission grants. See the Delegate Registration Form in the upcoming issue of the *Good News*.

Prayer requests:

- ✠ Pray for the VP of Missions and Committee as they select grants requests to be presented.
- ✠ Pray for the SRD VP and Committees as they meet and prepare for the convention.
- ✠ Pray for the societies as they select their delegates.
- ✠ Pray for speakers and other special guests as they are being asked.
- ✠ Pray for a full slate of candidates and those women who have chosen to serve.

Watch for weekly announcements, information, and prayer requests as we count down the weeks to convention. Start making plans to attend!

“LIFE QUOTES” FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE (www.lutheransforlife.org): “So when we see the embryo ... in that petri dish—vulnerable, helpless, and destined for destruction—we are compelled to speak and defend and help. And not because it is the right thing to do or the moral thing to do, but because it is the Christ thing to do. Our God became incarnate as an embryo, giving value to all embryos.” *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former executive director of Lutherans For Life*

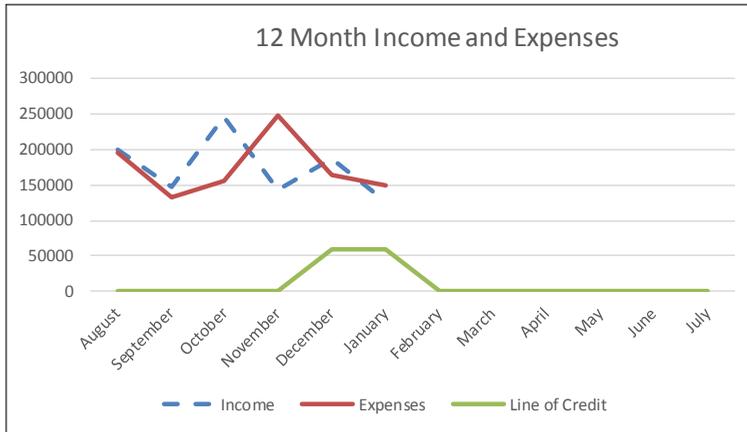
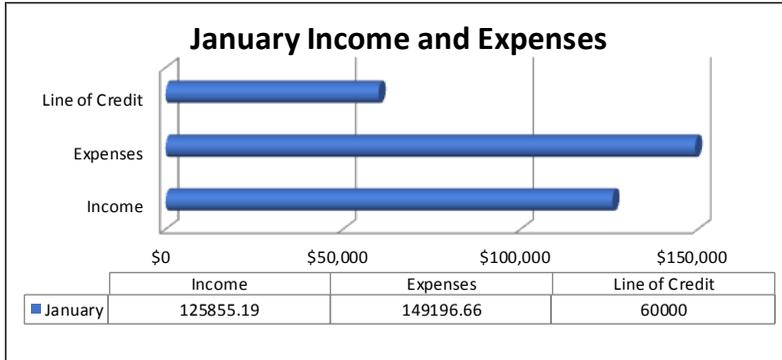
PART-TIME OFFICE MANAGER OPENING: Tippecanoe County Right to Life is seeking a part-time office manager. Duties include: record keeping, general office duties, manage mail and e-mail, return phone calls, organize events and volunteers, publish newsletter, attend quarterly board meetings, etc. Approximately 5-8 hours per week. To apply, submit resume and cover letter to Kevin Niebrugge and Kristy Korchnak at tippcortl@gmail.com.

NEEDED! CLOTHING ROOM VOLUNTEERS AT MATRIX LIFECARE: If you know how to shop and would feel comfortable chatting with clients, this job is for you! Help our clients shop to get their free clothes, diapers, etc. This need is especially urgent, so if you’re interested, please contact Morgan Presse (volunteer coordinator) at mpresse@matrixcares.org as soon as possible!

STEWARDSHIP GENEROSITY THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Mark 8:32 – “And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.” Anytime we sin we are acting like Peter: thinking we know better than the Lord. But as Jesus says, such acts stem from Satan. So let us repent: let us trust our Lord Jesus and follow Him. For certainly He has earned our trust with His gracious sacrifice for us.

\$ FINANCIAL NEWS FROM MINDY SCHLOTMAN \$

WEEKLY OFFERINGS: January 29 - February 4: \$13,151.59 February 5-11: \$7,458.63
 February 12-18: \$12,015



THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 4, 2018

Exodus 20:1–17; 1 Corinthians 1:18–31; John 2:13–22 (23–25)

The Crucified and Risen Body of Jesus Is the True Temple of the Lord

The Lord rescues His people, Israel, “out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery” (Exodus 20:2) and makes His gracious covenant with them, defined by the Ten Commandments. Since He has become their God by His grace, they shall be His people, having “no other gods” before Him (Exodus 20:3). He is “jealous” for them as a husband for his wife and as a father for his children. He has named them with His name and called them to rest in Him (Exodus 20:5–9). The incarnate Son, Christ Jesus, is likewise jealous for His Father’s house, because it is to be a place of divine grace and Sabbath rest for His people, and not “a house of trade” (John 2:16–17). His zeal consumes Him as He gives up “the temple of his body” to the destruction of the cross, but in three days He raises it up again to be the true temple forever (John 2:17–21). By His crucifixion He cleanses the entire household, and in His resurrection He becomes “wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption” (1 Corinthians 1:30).



MAKE THE
RIGHT CALL...
JOIN THE TEAM!

TRACK & FIELD
5TH-8TH GRADE BOYS & GIRLS

SPRING SPORT MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2018
5:30 P.M.
ST. JAMES' GYMNASIUM

🔔 SCHOOL NEWS FROM JAKE ROGERS 🔔

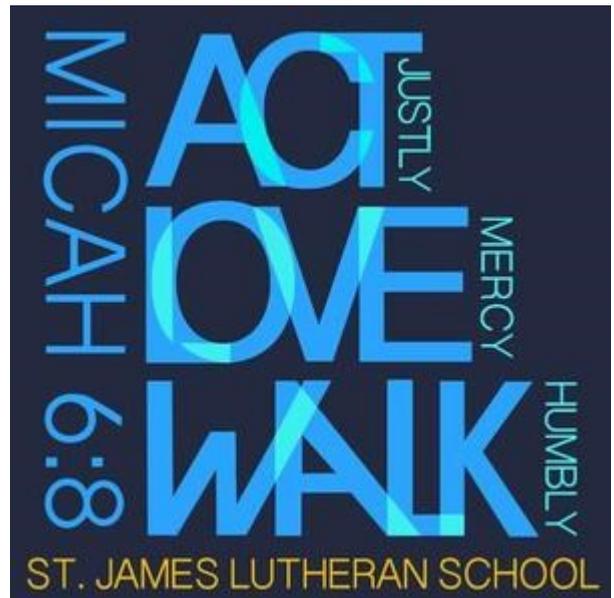
*With God as our foundation, we educate & equip for service, for Christ,
the mind, heart, and spirit of today's 21st Century learner.*

ISTEP 2018: The 2018 ISTEP & IREAD-3 tests are just around the corner. Part 1 of the ISTEP will start February 26-March 9 for our 3rd-8th graders. The IREAD-3 test for our 3rd graders will be given March 12-16. To help accommodate the testing schedules, it is important that students are present at school. If your family has a doctor appointment scheduled for the school day, we ask that the appointments be rescheduled so that we can optimize our testing schedule and return to a normal school schedule as soon as possible. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS: I'm reaching out on behalf of Junior Achievement of Greater Lafayette (JA). JA will run two programs at St. James this spring. Beginning the week of March 5, programs will start in 7th and 8th grade that will teach students about work readiness and financial literacy. Students will work with a community mentor assigned to their class and participate in engaging activities that will introduce them to future career options, resume-building skills, and exploring basic financial concepts. We are looking for volunteers to lead the activities. A volunteer would be paired with a class and would become the mentor for those students. They would lead a new activity each week, once a week, for 6-7 weeks. JA provides all materials, training, and support to the classroom volunteers. We will make sure they are prepared when entering the classroom. Anyone interested can contact me directly for more information or to sign up! *Amanda Arnett*, Program Manager (cell: 765-490-2446 or fax: 765-535-5017).

UPCOMING DATES:

- 2/26-3/9 ISTEP, Pt. 1
- 3/2-3 Purdue Science Fair
- 3/12-16 IREAD-3
- 3/16-25 Spring Break
- 3/26..... Classes Resume





BIRTHDAYS

- Feb. 25 Rian Merchant, Elyse Minardo,
Nancy Sattler, Barb Tarter,
Phillip VanLaere
- Feb. 27 Patricia Israel, Christina Scott
- Mar. 1 Beth Lancaster
- Mar. 2 Brenda Owens
- Mar. 3 Carla Grady



ANNIVERSARIES

- Feb. 25 James & Karen McKinney (34 years)
- Feb. 27 Raymond & Charlene Allen (55 years)
- Mar. 2 Jerry & Kris Ripke (27 years)

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

- Abigail Adams, Sara Benham, Mario Contreras,
Caleb Hamelman, Bob Klaiber, Hanna Miller,
Phillip VanLaere, Staci Witte

*Please take a moment to sign the Record of Fellowship pad today.
The birthday, anniversary, and baptismal birthday lists are generated from those records.
Bless you as you celebrate!*

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sun. 2/25	08:00 AM - 09:00 AM 09:15 AM - 10:15 AM 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Worship Adult Education/Sunday School Worship (C)
Mon. 2/26	08:30 AM - Noon 07:00 PM - 08:00 PM 07:00 PM - 09:00 PM	Quilters "Letter of James" Bible Study Ladies LifeLight Bible Study - <i>Ruth</i>
Tue. 2/27	09:30 AM - 11:30 AM 07:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Ladies LifeLight Bible Study - <i>Proverbs</i> Board of Elders
Wed. 2/28	10:30 AM - 01:00 PM 04:45 PM - 05:45 PM 06:00 PM - 07:00 PM 07:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Fellowship Communion Lenten Dinner Lenten Service 7th & 8th Grade (Public School) Confirmation Classes
Thu. 3/1	07:00 AM - 07:45 AM 05:30 PM - 06:30 PM 06:30 PM - 07:30 PM 07:00 PM - 08:30 PM	Coffee Club Bell Choir Rehearsal Adult Choir Rehearsal Thursday Evening Bible Study
Fri. 3/2	06:00 AM - 07:00 AM 05:30 PM - 06:30 PM	Men's Bible Breakfast "Surprise by Joy" Women's Bible Study
Sat. 3/3	06:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Worship (C)

3rd Annual Gift Card Challenge!



Time to Act, Love, and Walk
for the auction!



ACT by bringing in gift cards to be sold at the auction through Friday, March 2.

LOVE that the classes that collect the highest total value of cards per student will receive funds toward a class party! Every student bring in a donation also gets a "thank you" treat!

WALK your way to the Scrip counter and get your donation today!

What an easy way to get some volunteer points!!!



Speaking of volunteer points, here are other ways you can help!

Sign up to help us on Saturday work days:

<http://signup.com/login/entry/527010340545624017>

Donate an item from our Amazon Wish list:

<https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/2Z1GO16OPT6Z>